

THE GAZETTE.

THURSDAY MORNING, MAY 20, 1858.

LUCKNOW, AFTER ITS CAPTURE.

From court to court, of the huge pile of buildings we wandered through the same scenes—dead Sepoys—blood splashed gardens—groups of eager lightlanders looking out for the enemy's loot—more eager groups of plunderers searching the dead, many of whom lay on the top of each other, amid the ruins of rooms brought down upon them by the cannon shot. Two of these were veritable chambers of horror. It must be remembered that the sepoy and matchlock men wear cotton clothes, many at this time of year using thickly quilted jackets; and in each room there were a number of seats or quilted cotton coverlets, I could see as beds and quilts to the ceiling. The explosion of powder sets fire to this cotton very readily, and it may be easily conceived how horrible are the consequences when a number of these seats and quilts get into a place where there is no escape, and where they fall in heaps by our shot. The matches of the men, the discharges of their guns, set fire to their cotton clothing; it is fed by the very fat of the dead bodies; the smell is pungent and overpowering, and nauseous to a degree. I looked in at two such rooms, where, through the dense smoke, I could see a mass of bodies, and I was obliged to own that the horrors of the hospital at Sebastopol were exceeded by what I witnessed. Upwards of 300 dead were found in the courts of the palace, and, if we put the wounded carried off at 700, we may reckon that the capture of the place cost the enemy 1,000 men at least.

Here and there some wretched wretch had crept away to die, and one or two miserable old women still lurked in the huts. One sat by the side of a body covered with blood, and tenderly caressed the dreadful form. Another was creeping along with a heap of rag on her back—her journey near the close, and one of the enclosures one of the officers told me there lay dead a pretty little boy of some seven or eight years of age, his back torn open by a grape-shot, and beside him shrieked and chattered his pet parrot in a cage, just as if he had fallen from his hands, as he was flying with it across the courtyards. Some kind hand had liberated the poor bird. These are the accidental, but necessary incidents of war. Our soldiers are not unmoved by them, I have mentioned who discovered the dead sepoy, and the officer told me that he was greatly pleased the day before by the kindness of some soldiers of the 70th, who were very ugly and dirty little fellows, when they had found in one of the villages. With their rough hands they washed him, patted him kindly on the head, and fed him, drying up his tears, and telling him in their vernacular, "not to be afraid—that to one should hurt him."

A few hundred yards off there came in sight one of those high square enclosures, surrounded by party-colored walls with gates and towers, which are the general type of country residences or pleasure palaces of the 70th. One of the angles was drawn up a battery of field artillery, and a redoubt of heavy guns on the shade of the angle tower to which we were approaching. It was the angle at which the breach was made and where most of the stormers entered on that terrible day. We found a party of the 53rd regiment, to which these quarters were not new, posted inside the building. Their sentries were watching a battery of the enemy's, and a number of their men, in a village or suburb on our front, but there was no fire on either side.

I never recollect encountering any odor so disgusting and intolerable as that which assailed our nostrils on approaching the northern side of the enclosure. The ground was covered with grinning skulls and fragments of burnt skeletons. It was a veritable Golgotha. In this spot 2,000 Sepoys met a terrible punishment for their crimes. The most odious of men in smell and sight must have been glad to leave the place, and the officers declared to us that they could not keep the men on that side of the square. His tracing our steps, my friend and myself crossed the bridge of boats, and came upon the camp of Douglas's brigade of Outram's force.—Letter from Lucknow.

THE RIFLEMEN OF THE WEST.

Mr. Benton stopped a moment to speak of an exploit too little known to history. He said that the British and Indians, to the number of 1,800, appeared before St. Louis in the year 1780. General George Rogers Clark was then upon the American bottom with the coquerons of Vincennes and Kaskaskia. The French of St. Louis were invoked by him. He had but 400 men, and might have declined with honor. He might have said—our numbers are few; the river is too wide and rapid; you are strangers and live beyond the confines of my country; you may be in collision with the enemy to draw me across the Mississippi, and to revenge in Louisiana the defeat of your countrymen in Illinois. But such was not the language of General Clark nor of the 400 brave men that followed his steps. He nor they knew not danger. Knew it not! May their spirits not dance a fourth of July? Yes, they did know danger; they were born in its presence, and grew up in its company; and each one could say, with Caesar—

"Dance and I are brothers,
Twin lions whelped in one hour,
And I the elder and more terrible."

They were the riflemen of the West, and took courage, not from danger, but from honor and courage. They divided into two bodies and marched to the relief of St. Louis. Two hundred presented themselves at the river below. At the sight of such boldness, the British and Indians, believing them to be the vanguard of a great army, suddenly retired, after killing eighty of the inhabitants, and leaving an impression of terror which still marks that year as an epoch of calamity: "l'annee du coup." History, continued Mr. B., tells of the passage of the Rhone and the Graniens; but here is the passage of a river unknown to history, yet surpassing the exploits of Hannibal and Alexander, as much in heroism and magnanimity as the Father of Floods surpasses in magnitude the puny streams of Gaul and Asia Minor.—Benton's Speech.

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